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PREVENTING BLOOD BACK-FLOW  
DURING STYLET REMOVAL

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby makes of record O'Neill et al. U.S. Patent 5,395,331, which is discussed in the specification of the subject application. The cited reference is identified by the attached Information Disclosure Citation form (PTO-1449).

It is respectfully requested that acknowledgment of this filing be made concurrent with issue of an Official communication in the present application.

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